

**PONTIAC TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 90**  
1100 E Indiana Avenue, Pontiac IL 61764  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION - REGULAR MEETING**  
**Monday, November 20, 2023**

**Call to Order, Pledge, and Roll Call:** The Pontiac Township High School District No. 90 Board of Education held its regularly scheduled meeting in the Dr. Ronald J Yates Memorial Library at 7:00 pm. Mr. Schrock called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Board Members Mr. Schrock, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Heller, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Masching, Ashley Ralph, and Mrs. Diemer answered roll call. Also present were Administrators Jon Kilgore, Tera Graves, Eric Bohm, and Board Secretary, Kelly Carter.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from the budget hearing and our regularly scheduled board meeting on October 16, 2023 were approved. Motion by Mr. Masching and seconded by Mr. Heller. Motion passed on a voice vote.

**Approval of Bills & Requisitions:** A motion was made by Mrs. Ralph and seconded by Mrs. Diemer to approve the High School and LACC Finance Reports; the High School, OM and LACC bills, the High School and LACC SBAA Activity Reports and Cafeteria Reports. Mr. Schrock, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Heller, Mr. Masching, Mr. Lambert, Mrs. Ralph and Mrs. Diemer all voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

**Recognition of Guests:** None.

**Communications:** The Triple III Conference in Chicago was very beneficial. Nick Sartoris received an Annual Merit of Recognition.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Financial Report:**

Mr. Kilgore reported that we are on target with what has been presented.

**Board Business:**

**Annual Levy Proposal:** Tax Levy is anticipated to decrease the tax rate for next year.

**Workers Compensation Insurance Renewal:** Illinois Public Risk Fund (IPRF) is projected to decrease our insurance renewal by 7% this year.

**School Maintenance Project Grant:** The Maintenance Grant is a matching grant up to \$50k. Mr. Kilgore is recommending addition and upgrades of the weight room project estimated to be \$175k using funds from the O&M funds and Capital projects funds.

**Principal Report:** Mr. Bohm discussed the Veterans Day Assembly that was held on November 10<sup>th</sup> in the auditorium with guest speaker Dale Sizemore who was an Army Ranger. The students did a fantastic job being respectful. PTHS Gives back again this year providing 25 meals to students and families in need for Thanksgiving. This program is organized by Brittany Janz. Faculty and staff make this opportunity happen for our families. Furthermore, current

matters of discussion are the Bridge Program, English as a second language and US History Dual Credit with Heartland Community College.

**LACC Report:** Mrs. Graves updated the BOE on the tour of schools which allows all sophomores in the county to see the programs and talk to current students. The application process has started for new students to get enrolled in a program for next school year. The LACC webpage has several updates and is a great resource for school, students, and parents. The LACC annual Open house was held on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Also the Annual Vendor Fair will be held on December 9<sup>th</sup>. CTEI has received four payments of CTEI funds.

**Personnel Recommendations:**

**Resignation/Retirement/Dismissal:**

- Brittany Roper, Paraprofessional/Spring Musical (Resignation)
- Kristen Hinz, Head Volleyball Coach (Resignation)
- Ashtin Edwards, Asst. Volleyball Coach (Resignation)
- Kristina Brunner, Asst. Volleyball Coach (Resignation)

**Personnel Hires:**

- Marcia Buchs, Substitute Teacher
- Vaughn Hobart, Asst. Boys Track
- Hannah Lane, Wrestling Volunteer
- Joseph Durbin, Spring Musical Director

**Motion was made by Mr. Sartoris and seconded by Mrs. Ralph to approve the annual tax levy as presented:** Mr. Schrock, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Heller, Mr. Masching, Mrs. Ralph, and Mrs. Diemer all voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

**Motion was made by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mr. Heller to approve the proposed Worker’s Compensation Insurance Renewal with Illinois Public Risk Fund (IPRF) as presented:** Mr. Schrock, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Heller, Mr. Masching, Mr. Lambert, Mrs. Ralph, and Mrs. Diemer all voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

**Motion was made by Mrs. Diemer and seconded by Mr. Masching to approve the School Maintenance Grant for State and District matching funds up to \$50,000 as presented:** Mr. Schrock, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Heller, Mr. Masching, Mr. Lambert, Mrs. Ralph, and Mrs. Diemer all voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

**Motion was made by Mr. Sartoris and seconded by Mr. Lambert to approve the following resignations for Brittany Roper, Paraprofessional and Spring Musical, Kristen Hinz, Head Volleyball Coach, Ashtin Edwards, Asst. Volleyball Coach, and Kristina Brunner, Asst. Volleyball Coach as presented:** Mr. Schrock, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Heller, Mr. Masching, Mr. Lambert, Mrs. Ralph, and Mrs. Diemer all voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

**Motion was made by Mrs. Ralph and seconded by Mr. Heller to approve the new hires for Marcia Buchs, Substitute Teacher, Vaughn Hobart, Asst. Boys Track, Hannah Lane, Wrestling Volunteer, Joseph Durbin, Spring Musical Director as presented.** Mr. Schrock, Mr. Sartoris, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Heller, Mr. Masching, Mrs. Ralph and Mrs. Diemer all voted “yea” on a roll call vote. Motion passed.

**Upcoming Items, Activities and Meetings**

Finance Committee – Monday, December 18, 2023 at 5:45 p.m.

Next BOE Meeting – Monday, December 18, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

**Other Matters of Discussion:** No new information items were presented.

**Adjournment** – A motion was made by Mr. Sartoris and seconded by Mr. Heller to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m. Motion was passed on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dale Schrock, President

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Kelly Carter, Board Secretary